

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Z.Q. XIA et al. Attorney Docket No. WSUR116430
Application No.: 09/673,918 Group Art Unit:
Filed: October 23, 2000 Examiner:
Title: RECOMBINANT SECOISOLARICIREBINOL DEHYDROGENASE AND
METHOD OF USE

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Seattle, Washington 98101
January 2, 2001

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

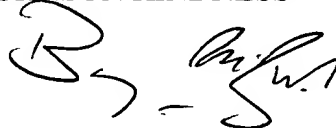
Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DOE/EO/US), dated November 14, 2000, set to expire on December 14, 2000. Applicants petition that the period of time be extended by one month to expire on January 14, 2001.

Enclosed is our Check No. _____ in the amount of \$110.00 for the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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